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I.—POLITICAL AND FOREIGN.

NAGRI NIRAD. June 29th, 1893.

1. The Nágri Nirad (Mirzapur), of the 29th June, expresses great satisfaction that Mr. Dadabhai Naoroji has consented to preside at the next National Congress; and observes that it Selection of Mr. Dadabhai Naoroji as was highly desirable that he should be selected Pre-President of the next National Congress. sident in recognition of his important, services to the

country, especially in the matter of the Civil Service examination. For the last thirty years he has exerted himself in favour of simultaneous Civil Service examinations being held in England and India, and at last he has succeeded in getting a resolution passed by the House of Commons to that effect.

HINDUSTÁN. June 27th, 1893.

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2. The Hindustán (Kálakankar), of the 27th June, is glad to say that the inhabitants of the Panjáb, who had been deceived by the Anti-Congressionists and induced to consider the The National Congress and the Pan-National Congress a body of discontented men, soon found out their mistake and began to appreciate the merits of that great political movement. In accordance with the wishes of the

Panjáb delegates, it was decided at the eighth National Congress held last year at Allahabad to hold the next meeting in that province. As December is approaching they ought to be up and doing, sparing no pains to make the meeting a complete success like its predecessors.

RIVAZ-UL-AKHBAR. June 24th, 1893.

3. The Riyáz-ul-Akhbár (Gorakhpur), of the 24th June, says that it appears that Mustafa Khan who was in police custody at Rámpur was not satisfied with his treatment and Removal of Mustafa Khan from Rámpur to British territory. reported the matter to the Lieutenant-Governor, who ordered him to be removed to British territory. His

II .- GENERAL ADMINISTRATION.

HINDUSTAN. June 28th and 29th, 1893,

4. The Hindustán (Kálakankar), of the 28th and 29th June, in answer to the unfavourable comments of the *Pioneer* on Mr. Paul's resolution, observes that the telegrams and memorials Mr. Paul's resolution and the Pioneer. which have been and will be sent to England in support of the resolution are not the work of a handful of political agitators, as the *Pioneer* represents them to be. If they are sent from different parts of the country, they will have great effect on the minds of Englishmen. In order to give effect to Her Majesty's proclamation of 1858 Government is bound to hold the Civil Service examination simultaneously in England and India and thus to facilitate the admission of natives to that service. Nothing could be more absurd than to allege that only the Bengalis and the Parsis will benefit by the measure. There is every reason to think that the other classes of

the community are able to compete successfully with them. The Musalmans who won India from the warlike Rájputs by the sword cannot be defeated by Bengalis at competitive examinations.

Honor's interference will have a good effect on the public.

BHARAT JIWAN. June 26th, 1893.

5. The Bhárat Jiwan (Benares), of the 26th June, states that an extremely small number of natives have been able to pass the Mr. Paul's resolution. Civil Service examination owing to the great obstacles which Indian candidates have to encounter on account of the examination being held in England, and expresses joy at the passing of Mr. Paul's resolution. Selfish Europeans are sure to raise all sorts of difficulties in the execution of the resolution Hence it is the duty of natives to hold public meetings in the principal towns and to send memorials to England to strengthen the hands of their friends there.

ALIGARH INSTITUTE GAZETTE. June 27th, 1893.

6. The Aligarh Institute Gazette, of the 27th June, in commenting on the election of a member to the local Legislative Council by Election of a member for the local the District Boards' delegates at Lucknow on the Legislative Council by the District 19th idem, gives the names of the delegates, of whom, Boards' delegates at Lucknow. excepting Mr. Mulock, Deputy Commissioner, sixteen

were Hindus and six Musalmans. It is a matter of satisfaction that the delegates held several preliminary meetings at Lucknow to discuss what sort of man and

be elected. Haji Muhammad Ismail Khan of Dataoli, Aligarh district, though not a delegate, went to Lucknow and offered himself as a candidate for membership. More men other than delegates should have entered the field. The Haji attended the preliminary meetings of the delegates and told them at the first meeting that they were not right in thinking that the member should be a delegate and an English scholar. No such qualifications had been fixed by the Lieutenant-Governor. He knew that the delegates would be inclined to attach undue importance to the possession of wealth and knowledge of English. Rich men are undoubtedly entitled to honor on account of their wealth; but it should be remembered that the possession of immense wealth always makes a man lazy and indolent, and this is the reason why the Right Hon'ble Mr. Gladstone is desirous of abolishing the House of Lords. The Haji had great respect for English educated people; but the representative of the District Boards in the Council ought to be a man who has a deep insight into the condition of landholders and cultivators, so that he might be able to assist in any new legislation affecting the welfare of those classes. Manifestly no young English educated man could adequately represent them. The Aligarh Institute Gazette also publishes the Haji's speech at the second preliminary meeting, in which he expressed nearly the same sentiments as at the first one, and observes that he gave sound advice to the delegates, though not a single delegate voted for him at the time of election. The editor gives the proceedings of the election meeting, and says that all the Muhammadan delegates and Mr. Mulock voted for Kunwar Muhammad Faiyaz Ali Khan, and all the Hindus for Seth Lachhman Das. Thus the Seth who obtained 16 votes was successful, the Kunwar polling 7 votes. The election has justified the editor's prophesy that this country was not yet prepared for representative institutions. Both the Musalmán and the Hindu delegates were influenced by religious considerations in giving their votes and did not look to the qualifications of the candidates. The Musalmans, being in the minority will always be defeated by Hindus at the elections and such a result is very injurious both to Government and the country.

7. A correspondent of the Azád (Lucknow), of the 30th June, thinks that Kunwar Faiyaz Ali Khan was better qualified to be The same.

a Member of the Legislative Council than Seth Lachhman Das of Muttra, and is afraid that the Hindu voters were influenced by religious prejudice in giving

The predictions of Sir Saiyid Ahmad Khan, who opposed the introduction of the elective system, have been justified by events.

8. The Indian Graphic (Lucknow), of the 30th June, states that Babu Sri Ram, Government Pleader, has been returned to the Defeat of Mr. Hamid Ali Khan by The defeat of Mr. Hamid Ali Khan, who Council, Babu Sri Ram. was sure to exert himself on behalf of the country, is a great disappointment to the public and was due to the desertion of Munshi

Thakur Prasad, the Bareilly delegate, who was pledged to vote for him. He changed his mind under pressure and thereby incurred more popular odium than Rája Shiva Prasad did in connection with the Ilbert Bill.

9. The Azád (Lucknow), of the 30th June, states that the Hindustáni and the Advocate of Lucknow have made strong comments

The Deputy Commissioner of Luckon the election of Babu Sri Ram, accusing the Denow and the election of Babu Sri Ram as Member of the Legislative Council. puty Commissioner of using his official influence on his behalf. It is a matter for regret that such an

accusation should be brought against him. The Azad is afraid that the Babu's friends did not exercise due discretion in canvassing votes for him and laid the Deputy Commissioner open to the accusation by their imprudent proceedings.

10. Munshi Thakur Prasad, the editor of the Dabdaba-i-Qaisari, Bareilly, in an article published in the issue of the 24th June, takes exception to the adverse comments made on Manshi Thakur Prasad, the representative of the Bareilly municipal board, him by the Hindustáni of Lucknow in connection with and the Hindustáni.

the election of a Member for the Legislative Council by the representatives of the Municipal Boards. The Munshi denies using such terms as have been ascribed to him by the Hindustani

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in the course of his conversation with Mr. Hamid Ali Khan, and asks the Hindustáni to refrain from speaking of him in impolite language. Several candidates were recommended to him by his friends, but he declined to promise his vote to anybody until he had consulted other delegates. At the time of election votes were given by ballot, and therefore no outsider can say for whom he voted. If any unsuccessful candidate be dissatisfied with the result of the election, he is at liberty to condemn the present method of election, but he is not justified in laying any false accusations at the doors of the voters to promote his own ends.

Hindustáni. June 28th, 1893. 11. The Hindustani (Lucknow), of the 28th June, states that the European soldier who caused the death of a coolie at Benares has only been fined Rs. 200. The coolie, who had a weak spleen, was not justified in seeking employment at the cantonment. He voluntarily succumbed to the kicks and blows of the soldier simply with a view to bring the latter into difficulty and disrepute. The impunity with which Europeans are allowed to kill natives has created sentiments in the popular mind which are very uncomplimentary to the responsible rulers of the country.

RAHBAR. June 30th, 1893. of the Police News on the delay in the disposal of appeals appeals from police officials by Commissioners, observes that the complaint regarding the delay is no doubt well founded to some extent. But the suggestion made by the Police News as to the appeals being heard by the Deputy Inspectors-General of Police is unreasonable. As police officials are appointed and dismissed with the approval of District Magistrates, the Deputy Inspectors-General, whose position is lower than that of District Magistrates, cannot possibly be empowered to hear appeals from the orders of the latter. The passing of brief orders by Commissioners in dismissing appeals does not show that Commissioners do not give full consideration to the appeals.

CAWNPORE GAZETTE. June 23rd, 1893.

13. The Campore Gazette, of the 23rd June, on the authority of a correspondent, states that there is an habitual criminal named Mataiya at Bithur. He assaulted Munshi Dispute between the police and some persons at Bithur, Cawnpore. Har Charan Lal, head constable, and several other respectable persons, and often brought innocent men into difficulty by inflicting injuries himself on his own body. Munshi Fateh-ud-din, the present Sub-Inspector of Police, is hand in glove with him and uses him as an engine of oppression. Lately Mataiya was at his old game again, at the instigation, it is generally believed, of the Sub-Inspector himself. Inflicting some injuries on his own body, he went to the police station in a doolie and reported that he had been assaulted by certain men who were in the bad books of the Sub-Inspector, as they had never paid him blackmail. Fateh-ud-din sent Mataiya to Cawinpore for treatment at the hospital and made a local investigation on the 15th June with two dozen constables armed with heavy sticks. A number of people were sent for and required to give evidence against the accused; but on their declining to give evidence the Sub-Inspector called them names and struck one,

URDU AKHBAR. June 25th, 1893. 14. The Urdu Akhbár (Moradabad), of the 25th June, in commenting on the Moradabad mosque case, states that the Musalmáns cannot be expected to allow the mosque to be turned into a stable by the Rája of Káshipur. An attempt to occupy the mosque by the Rája will certainly be attended with a serious riot, as was the case at Shambazár, Calcutta. It is hoped His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor will send for the records of the case and set aside the order of the District and Sessions Judge.

Ganga Prasad, with a stick, hurting him severely on the head. On this a fight ensued between the police and the people, and several men on both sides, including the Sub-Inspector, were wounded. Munshi Fateh-ud-din is well known to the

readers of the Cawnpore Gazette from the time of the Gauri-lakha case.

15. The Jam-i-Jamshed (Moradabad), of the 25th June, gives a reply to the article in the Rahbar on the Moradabad mosque case

(see paragraph 17, page 239, of the Selections from Vernacular Newspapers for week ending 20th June 1893), observing that the object of the Jam-i-Jamshed

in drawing attention to the attitude of the Musalmans was only to give timely notice to Government in order that it might take steps with a view to prevent an outbreak, and not to threaten Government. It is the Hindus who are accustomed to intimidate Government, as is evident from the establishment of the National Congress by them. The mosque was never sold to the Raja by Government. As soon as the Rája turned it into a stable thirty years ago the Musalmáns re-occupied it and since then it has remained in their undisturbed possession Had the mosque been the Raja's stable, he would have instituted a criminal prosecution against the Musalmáns at once. But no action was taken by him at the time. Now after thirty years he has brought a civil suit against them.

16. The Azád (Lucknow), of the 30th June, in commenting upon the Fyzabad riot, condemns the conduct of both the Assistant The Fyzabad riot. Commissioner and the soldiers. Pandit Jwala Prasad showed little sagacity in inflicting corporal punishment on a soldier, and the soldiers should not have ill-treated innocent persons for his mistake. Both the Pandit and the soldiers should be rebuked for their faults.

17. The Jám-i-Jamshed (Moradabad), of the 18th June, received on 30th idem, complains that a subordinate officer at Moradabad insults pleaders, mukhtárs, and suitors who have Alleged misconduct of a subordinate officer towards pleaders and suitors, occasion to deal with him, and warns him to mend Moradabad. his ways.

Jám-i Jamshed. June 18th, 1893.

RAM PATARA.

July 1893.

AZAD. June 30th, 1893.

JAM-I-JAMSHED.

June 25th, 1893.

Court language.

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18. The Rám Patáka (Allahabad), for July, states that a true friend to Government is not one who falsely flatters it but one who expressly tells it its faults in order that it may remedy them and make its rule more popular with the people. The use of the Persian character in

courts and offices in these provinces is very objectionable. The people cannot themselves read any papers received from courts, nor can they understand the court language, which abounds in difficult Persian and Arabic terms. Does Government consider these provinces to be an integral portion of Persia? Hindi is the court language in Behar, the Central Provinces, and even in the Kumaun Division of the North-Western Provinces. Why should not its use be extended? The Allahabad Hindu Samáj attempted to agitate the matter, and even raised subscriptions for the purpose, but it soon relaxed its efforts.

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Mr. Pincott's article in the Poons Quarterly Industrial Review on Indian

19. The Hindustáni (Lucknow), of the 28th June, publishes a vernacular translation of the article contributed by Mr. Pincott to the Quarterly Industrial Review of Poons, and observes that he has clearly shown the necessity for natives carrying on trade direct with England with a

view to check the drain of wealth from this country by European traders. Mr. Pincott's sound advice is entitled to the best consideration of Indian capitalists. If we ask for political rights, we incur the displeasure of the whole Anglo-Indian community, more particularly of Civilians; but if we endeavour to take the Indian trade with England into our own hands, the Civilians and other Anglo-Indians can place no impediments in our way.

20. The Dabdaba-i-Qaisari (Bareilly), of the 24th June, received on 2nd July, states that in accordance with the Commis-

sioner's order the Collector of Bareilly again inspected Id at Bareilly. the localities where kine were to be sacrificed and

issued necessary instructions. The Musalmans celebrated the Id to their hearts' content. The Hindus closed their shops, but no disturbances occurred, though some arrests had to be made. The District Officers were at the Town Hall during the day. It is not known for certain at how many places

DABDABA-I-QAYSARL June 24th, 1893.

kine were killed; but according to one rumour at 26 places and according to another at 8. Efforts were made in vain by respectable persons to induce traders to re-open their shops. One respectable private gentleman and some other persons were made to put on police dress, but it is not known with what object. Religious feeling is running high among the people, and the maintenance of peace reflects great credit on the authorities.

NATYAR-I-ÁZAM. June 26th, 1898. 21. The Naiyar-i-Azam (Moradabad), of the 26th June, regrets to note that as there are few influential Musalmans at Bareilly, the late Collector passed unfavourable orders regarding the observance of the Id last year, the sacrifice of kine being permitted at only three or four places.

This year, too, the City Inspector of Police succeeded in inducing the late Collector, with the help of the Municipal Board, to issue a proclamation permitting kine to be killed at only four or five places. The Musalmans were much disappointed. But God, who always lends an ear to the prayers of the oppressed, sent the present Collector to Bareilly to redress the grievances of Musalmans. They appealed to the Commissioner, and endeavours were made by some respectable persons to settle the dispute amicably, but to no purpose. On the 19th June the Commissioner came down from Naini Tal, and in consultation with the Collector granted permission for the sacrifice of kine at from 20 to 30 places in the presence of 5,000 or 6,000 Hindus. Moreover, the Kotwal was removed from the city police station, a European Inspector being placed in charge of the station. The Musalmans are highly gratified with the decision and thank the authorities. There is great excitement among the Hindus. A woman of the butcher caste was seized and taken to the police station by a crowd of Hindus on a false charge. On inquiry the Magistrate released her, ordered some Hindus who had arrested her to execute bonds, and sent a constable who had assisted them to the lock-up.

ÁRYA DARPAN. June 1893. 22. The Arya Darpan (Sháhjahánpur), for June, publishes a communication from Munshi Abdul Hafiz, Tahsíldár, Sháhjahánpur, who states that on the occasion of his late visit to Ba-

reilly he was surprised at the growth of ill-feeling between the Hindus and Musalmans owing to cow-killing on the day of Id. Surely the I'd is observed every year by Musalmans, but no dispute has ever occurred. The misunderstanding which has arisen this year shows that either the Hindus object to the sacrifice of kine at the usual places or the Musalmans desire to kill kine at more places this year than usual. It was the duty of the leaders of the two communities to effect an amicable settlement of the dispute, but they did nothing of the kind and readily took sides with their respective co-religionists. If the Hindus object to the killing of kine, the Musalmans will kill more kine than usual through spite. In that case, on the one hand, the Hindus themselves will be responsible for the extra number of kine killed; while, on the other, the Musalmans can expect no reward in the next world for any animal sacrifices performed through spite. As the Hindus and Musalmans have been living side by side for hundreds of years, they ought to treat each other as brothers and respect each other's feelings. Mutual quarrels are calculated to expose them to a great deal of trouble and expense and lower them in the estimation of Government and the public. Indeed, such quarrels would prevent Government from granting new privileges to them. Under these circumstances they should settle the dispute amicably.

III .- EDUCATION.

Indian Graphic. June 30th, 1893, 23. A correspondent of the Indian Graphic (Lucknow), of the 30th June, expresses satisfaction that the inhabitants of Marchra in the Etah district have lately established an English school under an able head master who is a graduate,

Government. They cannot afford to give more support to the local school than at present, as they have also to contribute to the expenses of the Kasganj school from which their children receive little benefit. Either Government should sanction a grant-in-aid to the Marehra school or they should be relieved of their contributions

to the Kasganj school. They have a special claim on the liberality of Government, as they remained loyal to Government during the Mutiny of 1857.

IV.—LOCAL AND MISCELLANEOUS.

24. The Rám Patáka (Allahabad), for July, referring to the Sitla Kund fair held at Kara, Allahabad district, in the month of The Sitls Kund fair at Kara, Allahabad. Asád every year, observes that the fair is visited by a large number of Hindus from Allahabad and the neighbouring districts. But the police arrangements are very unsatisfactory. At the time of worship a few constables stand at the kund and ill-treat all persons who go to the kund for worship, making a free use of their sticks. Many cases of theft and robbery occur. Apart from the numerous thefts at Kara, several men were robbed at Daranagar on the occasion of the late fair. No sanitary arrangements are made and the land situated The district authorities should take steps with a close by is covered with filth. view to improve the management of the fair in future.

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Encouragement of social intercourse between Europeans and natives.

25. The Alwaqt (Gorakhpur), of the 21st June, refers to a public meeting lately held at Gorakhpur to consider the subject of encouragement of social intercourse between Europeans and natives, and observes that the adoption of the Christian religion by natives would not much improve mat-

ters, as is believed in some quarters. The Europeans keep as much aloof from Native Christians and even from Eurasians as from Hindus and Musalmans. The Alwagt quotes a long extract from an Urdu book, called the Ibn-ul-waqt, i.e., The Timeserver, published by an old Deputy Collector, in which he described the difficulties to which he was exposed on the occasion of a visit to the Collector. The Alwayt remarks that the difficulties of the Deputy Collector chiefly arose from the wickedness of the Collector's chaprásis, who ought to have been reported by him to the Collector. who was sure to make an example of them. It is true that a change for the worse takes place in the conduct of Europeans in this country, but natives themselves are to blame for the change. When a new Civilian arrives his sarishtadar and chaprasis advise him how he should treat the people. The editor thinks all that is necessary to encourage social intercourse between the two communities is that Europeans should show more consideration and regard to natives than at present and that the latter should acquire a knowledge of European civilization and etiquette. The editor is opposed to the growth of close intimacy between the two classes on the ground that in that case the Europeans would learn the vices of the natives, such as indolence, lying, disunion, &c.

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